

ST. LUKES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
North Main Street
Lanesborough
Berkshire County
Massachusetts

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Massachusetts	COUNTY Berkshire	TOWN OR VICINITY Lanesborough
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) ST. LUKES EPISCOPAL CHURCH		HABS NO. MA-1241
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) North Main Street (Rt. 7)		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1836 (National Register nomination)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Among New England's few Gothic Revival churches. It is part of a fairly isolated religious movement, the early growth of the Episcopal church northward from New Haven to western Massachusetts in the late 18th century. 11th oldest parish in Massachusetts.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Gothic Revival		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) coursed rubble stone walls with a wooden belfry		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) rectangular with centered tower on gable end; 65 ft. x 40 ft.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE exterior details of tower derived from the Gothic Revival style, marble gothic arch over doorway, marble quatrefoil window in tower, other windows have gothic arch with diamond paned sashes, wooden cove cornice with gothic arch motif in roof line.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) all original interior, rectangular floor plan, pews with artificial oak graining, stenciled walls, 1862 organ (by William Johnson), original norfold latches and other hardware, 1855 shutters, gothic revival furnishings.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES tower repaired after lightning struck in 1858. Small wooden sacristy added to the rear of the church between 1865 and 1867.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Good condition, used as church		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The records of St. Lukes parish go back to 1767.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) National Register nomination, prepared by Abbott Lowell Cummings, Director, Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities, June 1971.		
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